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## OPPOSITION FINDS ANOTHER MARE'S NEST

Unfounded Statements and Charges in Regard to North-  
ern Coal Land Leases—Vancouver Fake  
Factory at Work as Usual

Owing to the absence of Premier McBride and other members of the government from the city it was impossible to obtain an official statement in reference to the charges made against the lands and works department in an article published in the Victoria Times yesterday. As soon as it can be obtained, however, an authoritative statement will be secured and given publicly.

### MR. CUPPAGE'S DENIAL

Assertions Made in Times Were With-  
out Foundation

Granville Cuppage, an official of the lands and works department, brands the statements made in an article copied from the Vancouver World and published in the Victoria Times of last evening under the headline, "A Colossal Scandal at Last Unearthed," as an unfounded misrepresentation of fact. When interviewed yesterday he readily agreed to take up the assertions serially, dealing with the charges separately. Accordingly he made the appended distinct statements over his own signature, first quoting the portions of the article to which he referred:

"In 1905 a company called the Transcontinental Exploration Syndicate applied to R. F. Green, then chief commissioner of Lands and Works, for leases of 32 sections of coal lands on the Telqua river, when the early construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway through that portion of British Columbia is considered, are certain to become of great and immediate value. Representing the Transcontinental Exploration Syndicate was Sir Adolph Caron, formerly a Conservative minister of the crown at Ottawa."

"In reference to this I have no knowledge, so may be as stated, but personally I am not in a position to either affirm or deny. In my opinion R. F. Green, then chief commissioner of lands and works, could not consider an application for coal leases which were evidently in the reserve from which the Dominion government has the right to choose 3,500,000 acres. However, that is a matter upon which Mr. Green or the executive is in a better position to speak than I."

"The application was refused by Mr. Green, who alleged as a reason that the Dominion government had not then selected the 3,500,000 acres of land in the northwest corner of this province which were conveyed to it by the terms of the settlement act under which the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway was built."

"Of the above paragraph I know nothing whatever. I believe it to be absolutely ridiculous."

"Later a private arrangement was arrived at by R. F. Green, representing the British Columbia government, and Sir Adolph Caron, acting for the Transportation Exploration Syndicate, and the leases were granted. Caron having previously written to Green to name a friend who could be trusted to hold shares in the syndicate in his interest."

"My last statement will apply to the foregoing paragraph."

"Mr. Green replied, thanking Caron for his beneficence, and naming Neil Mackay, then Premier McBride's private secretary, as a safe person in whom to vest the ownership of the shares."

"I have no knowledge of such a letter being written but I think it highly improbable."

"Caron wrote Green stating that the value of the shares which were to be given to him as a free gift, and which were rated at one pound eighteen shillings, was \$37,000."

"Mr. Green replied thanking Caron for his very great kindness. The leases were then issued by the chief commissioner to the Transportation Exploration Syndicate."

"Although I have no knowledge of Mr. Green's private correspondence, I am in a position to state emphatically that leases were not issued to the Transportation Exploration Syndicate. The public is entitled to examine the lease book in the lands and works department, and anyone caring to take advantage of this privilege will find that my statement is absolutely correct."

"Caron also secured leases for coal lands on Telqua river in the same section of the country for which Green was given another share in the name of Neil McKay."

"Caron, et al. did secure certain leases in that district under the provisions of the Coal Prospecting act. These were issued in the usual way, the applicants complying with the Act in every particular, and the leases

were granted as a matter of course. Verification of this may be obtained through the lands and works department. Anyone wishing will be made acquainted with every detail simply by asking for the information."

"Later on there was a hitch. Either Green thought he had not received a sufficiently large share of the plunder or an objection was raised by one of the chief's colleagues. Be this as it may, two eminent lawyers then residing, and still in Vancouver, were retained by Caron to press his claims. Armed with the correspondence between Caron and Green and interviewed the executive council. At the meeting all the members except Mr. Fulton were present."

"On the face of it the foregoing is ridiculous. There may have been some detail the applicants for leases had not supplied which were brought forward by their agents."

"The lawyers were persistent in pressing Sir Adolph Caron's claims. Mr. Green put up a show of resistance, but was dumfounded when confronted with Sir Adolph Caron's own letter, thanking Sir Adolph for his great kindness and instructing him to issue the shares in Neil McKay. The difficulties must have been smoothed away, for it is stated in the Province, a government organ printed in Vancouver, that the Transportation Exploration Syndicate had been formed in London with a capital of \$400,000 to explore and develop the coal measures in Telqua valley."

"As far as the department is aware, the Caron case has been assigned to the Transportation Exploration Syndicate, nor can I believe that any letter was written instructing Sir Adolph Caron to issue the shares in the name of Neil McKay."

"In the interval that elapsed between the granting of the leases and the deposition of W. S. Gore from his position as deputy of the lands and works department, who was abruptly retired, Mr. Neil McKay, the premier's secretary, and the holder of \$37,000 worth of the Transportation Exploration Syndicate, was the person to whom Sir Adolph Caron had been assigned to issue the shares in the name of Neil McKay."

"It was probably felt that the custodian of the shares should be conveyed. At any rate the name of Granville Cuppage, a junior clerk in the lands and works department at Victoria, appears in the Province of Oct. 10, as one of the directors of this company that is about to spend \$400,000 in developing the coal lands along the line of the C. P. R."

"From whom Mr. Cuppage got his shares is not at present known, but there is reason to believe that the \$37,000 worth of stock which was originally conveyed to Neil McKay is the shares which Mr. Granville Cuppage represents, and by virtue of which he sits as a director of the company."

I, Granville Cuppage, came down from the North with J. Hylands, the engineer of the leases held by Sir Adolph Caron and others. I met Mr. Hylands at Hazelton on my way north, and formed a friendship with him. Afterward I met him at Telqua, in that northern country. I traveled south with him on the Camosun, and we both put up at the Badminton Hotel in Vancouver. In an interview with some of his party by a reporter of the Province I was credited with being a director or engineer of his company. This statement is absolutely incorrect, as, beyond meeting Mr. Hylands socially, I have no knowledge of the company with which he is identified, or its objects."

The assertion that shares in the company in question were transferred to me is without the slightest foundation, even no shares in the afore-said company."

Yesterday Mr. Nelson, of the Times staff, called at the lands and works department and introduced a friend of his to me, who wished information about the Transportation Exploration Syndicate. He asked me if I was not a director of the said company. He seemed surprised when I stated my knowledge of being a director or being connected with the company in any way. In view of this conversation, I was extremely surprised to find my name connected with the company in an article appearing in the Times of last evening."

When a man or party of men comply with the requirements of the act they are entitled to the leases, without the chief commissioner being informed of any of the immediate details. The latter, as head of the department, must sign these leases, provided the parties entitled thereto have adhered to the conditions of the act."

GRANVILLE CUPPAGE.  
AS TO MR. MCKAY

Incapable of Participating in a  
Fraudulent Scheme

Sir: In the Victoria Times of this date appears what purports to be an exposure of "Tremendous Jobbery in the Lands and Works Department," in which it is asserted that shares in the Transcontinental Exploration Syndicate to the value of \$37,000 were issued in the name of Neil McKay, then Premier McBride's private secretary, as a free gift to R. F. Green, then chief commissioner of lands and works. In the course of the Vancouver despatch, reproducing an article in the Vancouver World, the Times says:

"In the interval that elapsed between the granting of the lease and the mysterious deposition of Mr. W. S. Gore from his position as deputy of the lands and works department, who was abruptly retired, Mr. Neil McKay, the premier's secretary and the holder of

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## PROVINCIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN IN CITY

Schedule of Meetings to be  
Held by the Liberal-  
Conservatives

The meetings to be addressed by the Liberal-Conservative candidates are as follows:

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SPRING RIDGE—Wednesday,  
Jan. 23.  
CREAMER'S—Thursday, Jan. 24.  
A. O. U. W. HALL—Friday,  
Jan. 25.  
OAKLANDS—Monday, Jan. 28.  
VICTORIA WEST—Tuesday,  
Jan. 29.  
GRAND THEATRE—Thursday,  
Jan. 31.  
VICTORIA THEATRE—Friday,  
Feb. 1.  
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The opening rally in the interests of the Liberal-Conservative ticket—Premier McBride, H. B. Thomson, Frederick Davey and H. P. W. Bohren—will take place this evening at the Odd Fellows' Hall, Spring Ridge. All the candidates, with the exception of the Premier, will deliver addresses. The latter has not yet returned from his tour of some of the mainland constituencies, but immediately upon his arrival an opportunity will be given the electors to hear him upon the issues of the present campaign. Speeches will also be given by J. L. Beekwith, Mr. Gurd, erstwhile of Ontario, and others conversant with the situation. A large attendance is expected, as the residents of the northern section of the city, like those of all other districts, have taken a position unmistakably in favor of the endorsement of the present administration at the polls on the 2nd of February.

## SECRETARY ROOT TO AN OTTAWA AUDIENCE

Friendly Sentiments Conveyed  
to Gathering of Prom-  
inent Men

Ottawa, Jan. 22.—In the presence of five hundred representative Canadians, an audience which included the Governor-General, Premier and half a dozen of his colleagues, the leader of the opposition, and over a hundred senators and members of parliament, Secretary Root delivered an address, which for eloquence and breadth-mindedness has been seldom equaled in Canada.

Mr. Root devoted himself almost entirely to the question of the existing relations between Canada and the States, at the outset, expressing his obligations to Earl Grey and Sir Wilfrid Laurier for being present. Another kindly greeting was received by him after he took his seat at the table. It was dated Jamaica, Jan. 20, received in Washington yesterday and forwarded to him at Ottawa, reading as follows:

"Jamaica profoundly grateful to Your Excellency for expression of sympathy and for very practical aid so kindly given by Admiral Davis and particular service squadron United States navy. (Signed) Svetvenham."

The reading of his telegram aroused prolonged applause. Mr. Root referred to the marvelous development of Canada. He intimated that he had been reading the speeches of Maclean of Lunenburg and Gordon of Nanaimo on the fisheries question, and said that on that conclusion the Canadian parliament reached, he knew it would be in the best interest of the two countries.

In conclusion Mr. Root said people were passing in great numbers across the invisible boundary, Canadians in the East and Americans in the West, and in a thousand homes they and their children were looking back from American hill-sides to Canada and from Canadian farms to the fatherland. "May they look backwards with loving memory, never to be turned to the hard gaze of hostility or fear or revenge. (Cheers.) I ask you, my friends, to join me in a sentiment to the Canadian settler in New England and to the American settler in the Canadian West: May they ever with loyal citizenship do good service to the countries of their adoption." (Prolonged cheers.)

Sir Wilfrid Laurier in eloquent terms moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Root, referring to his own visit to the Southern States a short time ago while seeking health. He said: "We have no reciprocity in trade, but we have reciprocity in invalids." Sir Wilfrid Laurier referred to the despatch of American warships to Kingston to help a British colony, which Canadians appreciated. Lady Victoria Grenfell, eldest daughter of their Excellencies, is ill at Government House of typhoid, physicians' imperative orders for quiet in the household, Secretary Root and the members of his family shortened their visit and returned to Washington this afternoon.

## AGAINST PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

Toronto, Jan. 22.—E. M. Macdonald, M. P. for Pictou, who defeated Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, in a speech before the Liberals of West York last night, made a vigorous attack on W. F. Maclean, M. P. for South York, and upon the scheme of the public ownership idea. Describing it, he said: "This pernicious doctrine of public ownership of every public utility should be stamped out of the whole country."

## MR. McINNES' INSULT TO ORGANIZED LABOR

Report of His Remarks at Rossland is Amply Corroborated by People Who Listened to His Speech  
—Damage to Liberal Cause

Rossland, Jan. 22.—W. W. B. McInnes' denunciation of organized labor and his declaration that the Liberals do not want the votes or support of the Laborists and Socialists in his spirited speech at Miners' union hall on Saturday night, continue to be the topic of the hour. It has done more to ensure the defeat of J. A. Macdonald in Rossland than a month's hard campaigning by his opponents. As the Liberals are enraged over the bad break of Mr. McInnes, and are making futile attempts to divert the issue.

The consequences of the blunder committed by the ex-governor promises to be far-reaching, especially in centres where the labor vote is strong. It has alienated the support of a considerable labor vote which was friendly to the Liberals and has incurred the undying hostility of the Socialists. So grave has the situation become that it is announced that J. A. Macdonald will not venture far afield during the remainder of the campaign, but will concentrate his efforts to stem the overwhelming tide setting in against his candidature in Rossland. It is now realized that Mr. McInnes, instead of adding the Liberal cause, has dealt it an irreparable blow. Messrs. McInnes and Macdonald are now doing their utmost to undo this bad work.

The categorical denial made by Mr. McInnes respecting the correctness of his now famous speech as reported by your correspondent is received here with derision. Hundreds of people who listened to his diatribe against the organized labor, were prepared to bear testimony as to the positive declarations of the ex-governor. They marvel that he has the audacity to attempt to square himself, for it is equally well known that he made a similar deliverance at the meeting at the same day, when his unfriendly sentiments were hissed by scores of smelter employees. On that occasion, A. S. Goodve, representing the Conservatives in the course of a vigorous reply excoriated Mr. McInnes for his undeserved onslaught upon the working classes.

The denial of Mr. McInnes was brought to the attention of a number of prominent citizens, some of whom occupied seats on the platform at Saturday night's meeting. "Mr. McInnes certainly has his gall with him if he is attempting to deny that he declared that he and his party had no use for Socialists or the representatives of organized labor, or served Archie Berry, the Socialist candidate in Rossland riding, to your correspondent tonight."

Your report, which was similar to the one published in the Rossland Miner, is correct in every particular. I am utterly at a loss to account for

the blunder of a man who has the reputation of being an old campaigner. McInnes did not start out badly, but in the next breath he denounced the Socialists and took a fling at the Labor party. His object in doing so is beyond my comprehension. He has rendered our party a good service. I shall refer to his undeserved censure at the Macdonald meeting tonight and shall deal with the same matter more fully at my own meeting to-morrow night."

"There is no doubt that Mr. McInnes went out of his way to take a cheap thing at the Socialists and organized labor," remarked Lorne A. Campbell, the Conservative candidate. "He seemed to have forgotten the presence of a large and respectable element of the population. I sat on the same platform at Saturday's meeting and to say I was surprised at Mr. McInnes' remarks is putting it mildly. He has done more to injure the Liberal cause than is now realized. His break will, I doubt, become an issue of his campaign. Your report of his meeting, especially of his remarks about the Socialists and Laborites, was absolutely correct. It is now too late for McInnes to crawl back."

Confirmation of the above can be secured from hundreds of reputable citizens.

"McInnes certainly put his foot in it badly by his assertion that the Liberals did not desire to have any relations with or support from the Socialists or the Laborites. He went out of his way to offer both a cheap insult. Not satisfied with his first declaration, he reverted to the matter later on and repeated the same statements as literally reported in your paper." The coming of James Gibson, water commissioner and a prominent citizen.

"There was no uncertainty as to what McInnes meant. Everybody in the hall realized that he had put his foot in it the moment the words were out of his mouth," said Chief of Police Thomas Long, who listened to his address. "You gave McInnes a correct report."

It is noteworthy that the Nelson News owned by F. J. Deane, who spoke at the same meeting, does not deny that Mr. McInnes made the offensive remarks as reported by your correspondent. In an editorial today it makes this brief comment on the press report of the McInnes speech: "It is difficult to understand the carelessness which allowed the C. P. R. to send out a despatch so condemnatory of Premier McBride's methods of holding power, but it is easy to understand the welcome the manly, independent statement made by Mr. McInnes will receive at the hands of the great throng of electors who were disgusted with the Socialist domination of the existing government."

## PARLIAMENTARY SESSION MAY BE SHORTENED

Announcement Made That No  
General Election Will  
Be Held Soon

Ottawa, Jan. 22.—The Commons tackled the tariff today, being engaged principally on the items of fruits and vegetables. Several members, including Campbell, Liberal of Centre York, advocated higher duties upon garden products. In the matter of tomatoes Mr. Fielding consented to allow the item to stand until further representations are heard.

At the Liberal caucus today it was announced that there will be no general election for at least 18 months. In assurance to this effect is given to Mr. Borden, it will materially shorten the session.

The new senators, Beth, Gillmor and Comeau, were introduced today.

## JAPAN'S LOSS BY FIRE

Tokio, Jan. 22.—The department of communications buildings were burned today. Loss, \$500,000.

## RED SUNDAY

Lodz, Poland, Jan. 22.—The strike planned in commemoration of Red Sunday was successfully carried out. Factories, stores and restaurants were closed. The newspapers and the street car service were suspended, and many arrests were made. At Warsaw the attempt failed.

## JAPAN'S FOREIGN POLICY

Tokio, Jan. 22.—Speaking in the house of peers today, Premier Saionji, after saying that the San Francisco school matter would be settled soon, said that the Japanese government had determined to facilitate the advancement of the interests common to all nations in Manchuria, and added that the negotiations with Russia in regard to the new treaty were progressing favorably.

## TIDAL WAVE DESTRUCTION

The Hague, Jan. 22.—The tidal wave which devastated some of the Dutch East Indian islands south of Achin, as announced on Jan. 11, practically engulfed the island of Simulu. According to the latest information received here, Simulu has almost disappeared. It is said that probably 100 were lost. Earthquakes continue daily. Simulu is situated to the north-west coast of Sumatra and south of the province of Achin.

## PEACE CONFERENCE PLANS

Berlin, Jan. 22.—Prof. Maartens, the peace conference envoy of Emperor Nicholas, and United States Ambassador Tower met today and discussed the plans for the conference.

## UNITED MINE WORKERS

Indianapolis, Jan. 22.—The United Mine Workers of America convention closed today. The present officers were re-elected.

## SENATOR CASGRAIN'S ILLNESS

Windsor, Jan. 22.—Senator Casgrain underwent a serious operation for internal obstruction. He is 84 years old, but is expected to recover.

## EARTHQUAKES IN SICILY

Rome, Jan. 22.—Since the Kingston disaster slight earthquakes have been felt in Sicily, and are continuing, which has caused considerable alarm. Houses in several villages threaten to collapse, compelling their occupants to camp out. In spite of the severity of the weather, Mounts Aetna and Stromboli continue to show signs of activity. Snow fell for hours here.

## DAKOTA COAL FAMINE

Washington, Jan. 22.—The coal famine situation in North Dakota has become so serious that Senator Hansbrough will confer with President Roosevelt tonight to see if federal measures cannot be found to relieve the situation. Telegrams appealing for aid were laid before the interstate commerce commission by the senator today. Some of these despatches declare that the statement issued by the Great Northern railway that the blockade has been lifted on that line, is not true. It is said also that a large supply of coal destined for North Dakota is being held at a junction point in Minnesota.

## CHURCH AND STATE

French Catholics Threaten to Defend  
Chapels With Arms

Paris, Jan. 22.—M. Delahy, conservative, in the senate today declared that the Catholics were ready to die for their faith, and that if attempts were made to close the chapels of Notre Dame de Lourdes and Montmartre, they would defend them with arms. The senator added: "MM. Combes, Clemenceau and Briand cannot suppress God." The cabinet today approved the bill suppressing the formality of requiring a declaration before holding a public meeting as required by the law of 1881, thus creating a modus vivendi under which the churches can remain open for public worship even though the Vatican authorities persevere in their present attitude. The new bill was introduced in the chamber of deputies today.



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"The above is a plain narration of a most appalling instance of provincial government corruption. Readers will have no difficulty in arriving at a conclusion unfavorable to the government.

Now, sir, I have absolutely no knowledge of this alleged shady transaction, but as an intimate personal friend of Mr. Neil F. McKay I shall be obliged if you will permit me to state that in my belief the story is the pure concoction of a liar, a libeler and a traducer of one of the most honest and straightforward men I have ever known. My privilege to enjoy the close friendship of Mr. McKay is out of the city, so it is not practicable to communicate with him tonight, but I shall thank you to afford me this, the earliest opportunity of publicly stating most positively that in my opinion the man who will endeavor in his absence, to impugn his integrity and honesty, is simply, in the uncompromising terms already used, "a liar, a libeler and a traducer." If it shall eventually be proved that I am mistaken in the estimate of the character of the man with whom I have been in daily intimate and friendly relations for about two years, I shall be prepared to endure whatever obloquy and penalty shall result from my having been so completely deceived. Meanwhile, though, I would ask your readers to accept the unsolicited testimony as to his integrity of a close personal friend, who believes him to be absolutely innocent of any complicity in fraudulent schemes of any kind whatsoever.

E. JACOBS,  
Editor B. C. Mining Record.

### CAMPAIGN IN OKANAGAN

Mr. Macdonald Made Poor Impression on Electors

Vernon, Jan. 22.—Leader Macdonald's boom by local Grit canvassers has utterly collapsed since the Liberal meeting on Thursday. On all sides disappointment is expressed at the emptiness of the address made. The lack of a definite pronouncement of policy disgusts independent voters, while the inane criticism of the government's record is equally ineffective. Too much lawyer, too little statesman, summarizes the opinion freely expressed on the street. The Liberal workers pull long faces over the results of their anticipated coup. Mr. Oliver was called to aid the foreboding hope, and was scheduled to speak at Kelowna yesterday, but failed to appear. Duncan Ross is still campaigning with Ottawa appropriations in his pocket. His personal unpopularity will produce an adverse effect. Mr. Ellison's prospects are brighter than ever.

### COWICHAN SAFE

Mr. Hayward's Election by a Large Majority Assured

Duncan, Jan. 22.—The political situation could not look brighter here. Mr. Hayward is gaining ground every day, and is sure of a handsome majority. We are now leaving a stone unturned in the endeavor to make his election an emphatic declaration for the government.

### LIBERALS HOLD MEETING

Small Gathering at Victoria West Last Night Listens to Grit Orators

The second of the ward meetings to be held by the Liberals of this city in connection with the present political campaign took place at Victoria West last evening. The attendance showed an increase of four on the previous meeting, there being twenty-six people in the audience, and as the hall was warm and comfortable, and the speeches of the candidates interesting if nothing else, the audience stayed on to the end, instead of dropping away in twos and threes, as they had done at Spring Ridge.

The speakers confined themselves almost entirely to the sins and peccadilloes of the government. The educational policy came in for any amount of criticism; verbal darts were hurled at the surplus, which was declared to be a false one, and in fact the whole financial policy was condemned from top to bottom, and then all around the circumference. Kaien Island and Kitamaat came in for a share of attention. Moses McGregor, the Victoria West Socialist, who distinguished himself in the municipal campaign, was the foremost again, and he had a big lot of questions, and did his best to keep up the interest of the meeting.

Ald. Lewis Hall was voted to the chair, and opened up the meeting with a denunciation of the government's educational policy. He told his hearers that by their agreement with McGill the government had sold the province of higher education in this province to a corporate body, and had put that body in unfair competition with the already existing institutions of learning. He scored what he described as the "iniquitous loan bill," by which the province had agreed to pay an interest of 5 per cent on the \$1,000,000 loan, and stated that the government had broken faith with the people in not devoting more time to railway legislation. Dr. Hall concluded by demanding of his hearers what interest Mr. McBride had in the city.

No answer forthcoming, Mr. Hall proceeded to explain that Mr. McBride had no interest in the city at all, and that he had shown this when he had refused to sanction the building of the fish-traps, to please the fishermen of the Fraser, who had voted for his friend, Mr. Gifford.

Mr. Hall retired amidst applause, and was succeeded by J. D. McNIVEN.

Mr. McGregor demanded to know why Mr. McNIVEN had not supported the measure introduced by the Trades and Labor Council for the reduction of candidates' deposits from \$200 to \$50.

Mr. McNIVEN explained that, although a member of the council, he

had not pledged himself to support this, and that he had not done so because it led to a multiplicity of candidates. He believed that in private life all the members of the government were gentlemen, but as public men they were to be dealt with.

Mr. McNIVEN was succeeded by Richard Hall, who claimed that the prosperity of British Columbia was due to the federal government, while the mines had been developed by a ring of mining men. Regarding better terms the speaker stated that British Columbia had demanded \$20,000,000 and that although that had been refused, the federal government would spend that much on the G. T. P., a line which would be constructed without a cent's expenditure on the part of the province. He criticized Mr. McBride's stand at Ottawa, and thought that J. A. Macdonald would have done much better.

"As to Dr. Ernest Hall," said the speaker, "if he is to be taken as a type of the labor men of Victoria, or if A. Johnson is to be taken as a type—well, I don't think that the labor men looked very far for their representatives. I think that Dr. Hall is a fair representative of the party. He is neither fish, fowl nor good red herring. I respect sincere men. I can respect W. H. Marcon and J. C. Watters, for I think they are sincere. Dr. Ernest Hall I do not believe is sincere. For the man who I believe is merely the cat's paw of the conservative party I have no respect at all, and that's what I believe Dr. Hall to be."

R. L. Drury thunderously indicted the government for almost every political sin on the calendar, "manipulation of ballot boxes" being the least. The old Fernie trouble was dug up, and the federal and Conservative causes aired afresh. Mr. Drury also produced a brand new alleged scandal, stating that the government had maliciously refused to sanction a polling station at Clo-oose, and that consequently the residents of that district would have to travel one hundred miles to register their votes.

The most of Mr. Drury's speech was concerned with ancient history, and he spent the balance of his time in taking his hearers again over the Kitamaat and Kaien Island investigations, as he had done at the Spring Ridge meeting. He further stated that the building of the V. & E. Railway and the G. T. P. was due entirely to the federal government, and that the provincial authorities had not built "a bit of railway as big as my finger."

### KILLED BY TRAIN

Man Struck by Overseas Limited Near Montreal

Montreal, Jan. 22.—The Overseas Limited struck and killed a man at Highlands yesterday, and it is thought from papers and letters found in his clothing that the victim is Bruce Leroy, of Calgary, who was recently a resident of Calgary. The letters explain that the sender is in trouble and request his parents to get him to get home or send him money to get home. He adds in a letter: "You can find me at Bonsecours market at 10 o'clock in the morning."

The man was evidently in Calgary last September, as there was a letter found on the body addressed to "B. Leroy Wilson, Calgary, Canada. It was from Kingman, Ariz., and signed Frank J. Murphy. The letter expresses the wish that the recipient's sight should improve and the hope that he would be able to read again soon."

### IN TRAIN ACCIDENT

Passengers via C. P. R. Report Mishaps on the Way West

W. Davies Gilmore and W. D. Holt, the former of Montreal and the latter from St. John N. B., who arrived by the steamer Charnier last night, and are at the Driard hotel, were in a train accident on the C. P. R. on their way westward. They were among the passengers of No. 97, and when near Otter, 65 miles east of White River, Ont., on Wednesday last, at 11:45 p. m., three cars left the track. The dining car was turned over on its side, and the chef slightly injured. Two other cars were turned over, a Pullman being twisted from the trucks. The damaged cars were cleared by a wrecking train and the train proceeded after a delay of five hours.

Messrs. Gilmore and Holt will leave for Prince Rupert tonight by steamer Venture to join the construction staff of the G. T. P. at the northern town.

### SWETTENHAM'S COURSE REMAINS A PUZZLE

Acknowledgment Sent to Secretary Root Adds to the Mystery

Washington, Jan. 22.—The state department today made public the text of the note delivered to Acting Secretary Bacon yesterday by the British charge of embassy as follows:

"Sir—I have the honor to inform you, under instructions received today from His Majesty's principal secretary of state for foreign affairs, that His Majesty's government is causing official inquiries to be made as to the authority of a letter which appeared in the public press this morning and purporting to be written by the Governor of Jamaica, addressed to Admiral Davis, commanding the United States Squadron lately in Jamaican waters.

"Sir Edward Grey desires me to say that while he is so far dependent on the press only for information with regard to this incident, he deeply regrets, if the published text proves correct, that a British official should have addressed such a letter to the gallant admiral who had rendered valuable assistance to British subjects at a time of great suffering and distress, and that he is certain that his feeling of regret is shared by everyone in Great Britain.

"I have the honor to be, with the highest consideration, sir, your obedient, humble servant (Signed) Esme Howard."

The text of Governor Swettenham's despatch, received, undated, this morning, but presumably filed on January 20, follows:

"Slight earthquake shocks continue. The population is returning and the weather is fine. H. M. S. Indefatigable, with supplies from Trinidad, arrived here today. Both banks have reopened."

The Lord Mayor of London this afternoon cabled to Governor Swettenham at Jamaica \$75,000, the first statement of the Anderson House fund, which now totals \$100,000.

London, Jan. 22.—The incident arising from the exchange of letters at Kingston between Governor Swettenham and Rear Admiral Davis now appears to be entering the waiting stage, as the Imperial government, after do-

ing all possible in the absence of advice from the Governor of Jamaica, is obliged to defer further action until he reports. In the absence of a report from the governor to his government, his despatch to United States Secretary, Root, which has been reproduced here, tends further to mystify the mind of the public.

New York, Jan. 22.—Kingston, Jamaica, has a plentiful supply of food and clothing, according to a cablegram received today from Governor Swettenham by the New York Kingston Relief committee. The cablegram says the harbor is now clear, and that the only assistance now needed is in the direction of rebuilding the city. Accordingly the committee will do nothing further toward relief work.

### ONE MONTH FOR SHOOTING

Portage la Prairie, Man., Jan. 22.—For shooting at a man with whom he had an altercation, T. H. Johnson was sent to jail today for one month at hard labor.

B. B. Marvin of E. B. Marvin & Co. is confined to his residence owing to illness.

### SPORTS

#### HOCKEY

##### Another Postponement

The Vancouver College Girls Hockey Club has requested the local club to postpone the match which was arranged to be played on Saturday next. The Victoria girls are anxious to have the game played as arranged, and have notified the Terminal City players that the match must take place as arranged or it will be impossible to play the game this season. The Vancouverites claim that they have been unable to practice, and ask that the game be postponed until the following Saturday.

#### INDOOR ATHLETICS

##### J. B. A. A. Active

Indoor athletics will receive a much-needed impetus during the coming week, when the J. B. A. A. will commence regular classes in the club gymnasium. For the past few years this form of sport has been very backward, and the executive of the association have secured the services of W. J. Judges as instructor, who will hold his first class this evening. In commencing these classes the executive of the club have killed a long-felt want, and the efforts of the club to foster this particular line of sport should be encouraged in every possible manner. In many of the larger clubs in Canada and the United States indoor athletics are the mainstay of the institution, but in this city it is entirely different, and it is with the intention of assisting the sport that the classes are being formed. A regular programme has been mapped out, and every evening will see the instructor at his post ready to give the needed instruction. It will not only be evening schools that will be organized, but on certain days of the week the gymnasium will be entirely set aside and will be known as "Bankers' Day." On these days afternoon classes will be formed and will be carried on along the same lines as laid down in the large clubs of the East. In this manner the executive expect to increase their membership list and also give the members an opportunity to develop their bodies as well as their minds. Mr. Judges will be in personal charge at all times, and he has also under consideration the suggestion of forming a ladies' class.

During the winter months Mr. Judges, who, by the way, is a first class musician, will undertake to organize a minstrel troupe.

The programme that has been outlined is as follows: Mondays and Fridays, physical culture; Tuesdays and Thursdays, entertainments and games; Wednesdays, regular training. In order to bring the members together with a view to forming these classes, a smoking concert will be given on Tuesday, Feb. 12, in the clubhouse. This will be an informal affair, at which several members of the club will make their debut as entertainers. Arrangements for the concert are now being made, and it is hoped there will be a good attendance.

#### YACHTING

##### Honorary Commodore

Mr. A. Mulcahy, secretary of the Victoria Yacht club, has received the following self-explanatory letter: At Government House, Victoria, B. C.

Sir—I am directed by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 10th instant, and to request you to convey to the members of the Victoria Yacht club the pleasure it affords His Honor to accept the position of honorary commodore of the club.

H. J. S. MUSKETT,  
Private Secretary.

A. Mulcahy, Esq., Secy. Victoria Yacht Club, Victoria, B. C.

#### INDOOR BASEBALL

##### Games Arranged

The Drill Hall being closed for Christmas and New Year weeks, the regimental indoor baseball schedule was interrupted, but will be resumed on Thursday, when No. 1 Company will meet No. 2, at 8 p. m. The following games will be played before the championship is decided:

January 24—No. 1 Company vs. No. 2 Company.  
January 31—Officers vs. Sergeants.  
February 7—No. 3 Company vs. No. 2 Company.  
February 14—Sergeants vs. No. 1 Company.  
February 21—Officers vs. No. 3 Company.  
February 28—Sergeants vs. No. 2 Company.

#### BASEBALL

##### The Game on the Sound

The annual meeting of the Northwestern Baseball league will take place in Seattle on Friday next, when it is expected that the baseball situation will be considerably cleared up, and it will be known whether there will be one or two teams in Seattle during the coming summer. The situation present is very complicated. McGreddie of Portland, vice-president of the Pacific Coast league, was in the Sound city last week, and stated definitely that the old league will be represented and any action on the part of the Northwestern league will make them play a "sour ball" in Seattle.

On the other hand, Dugdale who has the franchise for the Northwestern league, states it will not be necessary to play "sour ball," as the Northwestern league will be represented in Seattle. At the meeting on Friday representatives are expected from Tacoma, Grays Harbor, Spokane, Bellingham, Vancouver and Seattle. Vancouver is said to be anxious to get in the league but they will have a hard time beating Grays Harbor out of a place, and one of the two will be left out. The outcome of the meeting is awaited with interest in the Sound city, and it is expected that it will be a very interesting gathering.



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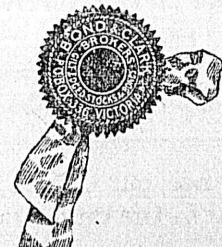
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**THE STAGE**

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Society Vaudeville

Three specially pleasing items in the big society vaudeville show at the New Grand next Saturday afternoon promise to be items for, six and ten on the programme—the famous Swing Song from "Veronique", which on this occasion is being done by Miss Sehl and Mr. H. Jullier; the "Oolong Li" number, in which Mrs. R. H. Pooley is the soloist supported by Mrs. R. W. Dunsinuir and Mrs. Beauchamp Tye; the Misses Marion and Elinor Dunsinuir, Misses Gladys Perry, Newling, Heyland, McQuade and the Misses Langley; and the double quintette "Come Little Girl and Tell Me Truly," which was the great particular hit of "The Silver Slipper," and which on this occasion is being presented by Mrs. Tye, Misses Sehl, Newling, McQuade and Heyland, and Messrs. Dickson, Gore, Berkeley, Foote and Richmond. Each of these turns will be provided with unusually artistic and effective setting and rich costuming, while the ever-renewing adornment of the stage will by no means be overlooked. The entire programme shows agreeable balance of the musical, the stage picture, novelty, comedy and originality. It will be a show quite out of the ordinary in every way, and the jubilee hospital should reap a substantial benefit as a result of the enterprise and hard work of the promoters and the contributors to the programme. The sale of seats is now open at M. W. Walcott & Co's, Government street.

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There are several matters of special interest to British Columbia in the annual report of the department of Indian affairs for the past year. In the general sense the report speaks of the prosperity of the Indians throughout the Dominion. It is noted that the income derived by the Indians' own exertions has passed the \$5,000,000 mark, and shows an increase of \$5,000,000 over last year. The most advanced bands of Indians do not show much change over last year, but in the younger provinces there has been an augmentation of industrial pursuits and an increase in the learning of the language and adopting the educational advantages of the dominant race. Inter-marriage with whites is generally decreasing.

In the earlier days of settlement in the older provinces, both social and legislative conditions tended to facilitate the marriage of Indian women by white men and the adoption of the latter by the various tribes, and as a consequence among many of the bands in those provinces a member of absolutely pure blood is somewhat rare.

In the younger provinces conditions were for a comparatively short time so similar in some respects that such marriages were not then uncommon, but the rapid transition from the pioneer and celibate to that of the family class of settlers, has somewhat abruptly terminated the increase of such alliances.

At the present time the nuptial contract known to exist between the dominant and aboriginal races within the boundaries of the provinces of British Columbia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta do not in the aggregate greatly, if at all, exceed the number of one hundred and fifty, and for the most part represent a survival of what occurred some decades ago.

The net gain natural increase throughout the Dominion is 182, being 91 less than last year. In British Columbia there were 552 births and 594 deaths, a loss of 42.

Infant mortality has been somewhat heavier than usual, especially in British Columbia, where epidemics of whooping cough and croup swept the coast. In British Columbia the Indian population is placed at 24,997, and the number of acres cultivated by Indians is 9,243. The value of grain and roots raised was \$338,605; hay, \$12,230; a total of \$350,835, which compares well with the other provinces.

In British Columbia the more rapid extension of agricultural effort is hampered in some districts by the dearth of suitable lands, and in others by the necessity for irrigation, but the Indians concerned are with characteristic energy overcoming the latter defect.

In British Columbia the salmon fishing is one of the great mainstays of the Indians, both as a medium for employment of their labor, and as a direct source of food supply.

Every fourth year the run of the sockeye, which is the salmon of greatest commercial value, is peculiarly abundant, and during the years when this is expected the Indians assemble at the canneries in increased numbers. This year these conditions operated to render it necessary at some of the canneries to limit the catch to be taken from each boat, but on the other hand the cleaning and cutting up of the fish and the filling of the cans furnished the women with ample employment, so that on the whole results were very satisfactory. Although the year was an off one for the dog salmon, which the Indians prefer for drying for winter consumption, the scarcity was not such as to entail any serious consequences.

Although thrown into the shade by the salmon fisheries, the halibut, oolichan and other along the coast are of no mean importance, and the season was a fairly successful one for them.

For animals, such as lynx, marten, mink, fisher, otter, and racoon, were, with the exception of the first mentioned, decidedly scarce, but the prices obtained had a compensatory effect and the earnings show some

advance.

In the West Coast agency the sealing industry was not a success, those who engage in it along the coast having made but little while the better success of those who ship as hunters on the sealing vessels was offset by another of those disasters which occur from time to time, viz., the loss of a schooner which had twenty-five Indians on board.

The report comments on the difficulty of stamping out the drinking habit in some parts of British Columbia, and points out that proximity to civilization does not improve the Indians in this respect.

To turn to what, but for its relative position in the chain of cause and effect, might take precedence of importance in point of importance, viz., the recognition of the obligations of the nuptial contract, it has to be admitted that, particularly among Indians, of the younger provinces, conditions leave much to be desired.

The influence of tribal usage still survive more or less even among communities or sections of communities where they have been discarded.

With several of the agencies in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the practice of discarding wives or husbands and contracting fresh alliances has almost, if not completely, disappeared, but it is not uncommon in the majority, and in some few details to the extent of affecting about 10 per cent or even greater properties of the married population.

In some parts of British Columbia matters are in a considerably more backward condition, for, although the practice is almost unknown in the Kootenay district, decidedly rare in the Babine, and not common in the Williams Lake agencies, its proportion gradually extend on other reserves, until it reaches its climax in the West Coast and Kwakwaka'wakw agencies, where probably something like half the population are more or less affected.

British Columbia stands the highest among the provinces in the matter of progress in education. The British Columbia Indians seem to appreciate the fact that they are helping their children to hold their own better in commercial life by educating them.

**Football Club Concert**

A small but enthusiastic audience attended the concert given at Institute Hall last evening by the Pommer sisters, under the auspices of the Victoria United Football Club. The entertainment was worthy of better support, as it is seldom that Victorians are given the opportunity of hearing so capable a company of musicians. The five sisters form an orchestra of no mean ability, while the individual members are past masters on their various instruments. The cornetist, however, is the star of the company, and showed a perfection of tone that is surprising for a lady. The string quintette, however, was the gem of the evening, and it was not until four encores had been given that they were allowed to leave the stage.

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### THE TWO CHIEF ISSUES

There are two issues in this campaign, which, by reason of their very great importance, far transcend all others. They are not partisan issues, that is to say, they do not affect one political party more than another. They are issues of a general character, and the Colonist feels that in urging them upon the consideration of the electorate, it is discharging a public duty. Readers of this paper will bear us out in the statement that we have endeavored throughout the campaign to deal with public questions and avoid personalities, and we ask that the views hereinafter set out may be dealt with in a spirit of inquiry. If they are not correct, they can be answered.

The two principal issues are:  
The maintenance of a stable government;  
The claim of the province for better terms.

These are subjects which come home to every British Columbian. No matter what a man's political allegiance may be he is interested in seeing that the government of the province is maintained upon stable lines, so that there may be no return to the uncertainty prevailing a few years ago, which seriously affected the credit of the province at home and abroad, and led investors to hesitate about embarking in enterprises here. Nearly every person who reads these lines knows that from the day that Mr. T. R. McInnes, in his capacity of Lieutenant-governor, undertook to make and unmake political parties according to his own sweet will, down to the time when, having taken office and brought order out of chaos, Mr. McBride and his colleagues demonstrated that the affairs of the province were in competent hands, and that settled political conditions were at last established, British Columbia had a bad name in the money centres of the world. What part, if any, Mr. W. W. B. McInnes had in the mischief-producing policy of his father we shall not attempt to estimate; but the people of the province know that while Mr. McInnes, the elder, was keeping successive ministries in hot water, Mr. McInnes, the younger, was preaching violence and bloodshed. Fortunately the evil done in those days, when no one knew from one week to another what species of political mischief was going to be sprung upon the attention of a distracted people, has spent itself; the opportunities for investment here are many, and as soon as the world saw that settled conditions were established and the provincial credit was restored, business began to improve, so that since the elections of 1903 we have had better times in the province than have been enjoyed here at any time during its history. We submit to our readers that what has just been said is simply a plain statement of the facts that cannot be answered.

We ask all men to consider if they think the satisfactory state of things now existing is likely to be improved by the defeat of the present government? Can any good reason be advanced why the outside public will consider a change in administration as likely to be beneficial to the province? If there is any such reason, we shall be glad to hear what it is. We assert, and we believe we have excellent grounds for the assertion, that, if the electorate should pronounce against the present government, the immediate effect in financial centres would be injurious to the province. Capitalists would hesitate about investing until the new government had demonstrated its stability and prudence. This would take a long time, for we are satisfied that there can be no stability, if the Liberals come into power, where Mr. McInnes is a dominant factor in that party. We regret to be forced to this conclusion. It would be far more satisfactory to be able to regard a change of ministry with equanimity so far as the great financial and business interests of the province are concerned; but it is not possible to do so in British Columbia at the present time. If a majority of the members of the new House should be op-

posed to the present government, the province would be immediately plunged into a period of political doubt and uncertainty. This ought to be avoided, if possible, and the way to avoid it is to return the present ministry to power with a substantial majority.

In advancing the foregoing views, the Colonist invites the members of the Labor Party to give them their best consideration. They are greatly interested in the maintenance of business prosperity. They have nothing to gain by bringing about political confusion. They are very strongly of the opinion that certain aspects of legislation require them to have special representatives in the legislature. In this they are quite within their rights. For ourselves, we wish they could see their way clear to unite with the Conservative Party and trust to their influence upon its councils to secure the introduction of such measures as they deem necessary; but they seem to have reached the conclusion that they must have direct representatives of Labor in the House; and we submit to them that, so far as they can consistently with the ideas in the respect to which they have committed themselves, they ought as men, having the keenest interest in the prosperity of the country, to lend their aid to continue the present satisfactory and stable conditions.

We pass on now to speak of the second issue, that of Better Terms. Unless disturbed political conditions are again brought into existence, British Columbia may look forward with confidence to a period of great development. A new transcontinental railway is being built through the southern part of the province, and the Canadian Pacific is extending its mileage so that its branches south of the main line will shortly be equivalent to another transprovincial railway. The Grand Trunk Pacific is under contract to complete its line to the coast by 1911, and there are those who say that the Canadian Northern will be to the Pacific before its rival. The V. W. & Y. railway is undertaking ambitious plans, which aim at the opening of the province by a north and south line. The Canadian Pacific will develop Vancouver Island by a railway, and there are indications that it will have a line of its own through the region which has been heretofore chiefly associated with the G. T. P. and the C. N. If we may judge from what took place in Kootenay after the opening of that district by a railway, we may expect very rapid development over a part of the province several times larger than Kootenay to come about, as soon as the railway enterprises referred to have progressed far enough to make their influence felt. This development will mean a vast increase in the contribution of British Columbia to the federal revenue; it will also mean a vast increase in the burden resting upon the provincial government. Enormous sums will have to be spent in constructing roads, trails and bridges, on schoolhouse and other public buildings. A vast area will have to be policed, and the expenditure for the administration of justice will have to be greatly augmented. If the position of the provincial government has been difficult in the past, when public works had to be undertaken and the public service had to be administered over a comparatively small area, it will be vastly more difficult in the future. We have a right to ask the Dominion to help us bear this exceptional burden.

There is no necessity to elaborate this point. The obligation of the Dominion to give British Columbia exceptional treatment, because of the conditions of a permanent nature, which render the administration of the provincial government exceptionally expensive, has been admitted by the Premier of Canada. If Mr. McBride had done nothing else in his public career, his name would always be remembered in connection with his admission wrung from an unfriendly premier of Canada, and a hostile provincial conference. On this point there can be no issue so far as the provincial government and the federal government are concerned. The issue arose after that admission had been secured, and it may be thus stated: Mr. McBride, taking precisely the same ground as his predecessors had taken, claimed that the question of better terms is a matter between this province and the Dominion; Sir Wilfrid Laurier took the position that it lies between this province and the other provinces. The provincial opposition have adopted the Canadian Premier's contention, and its nominal leader, Mr. Macdonald, has gone on record as saying that inasmuch as the provincial premiers refused to do justice to the province, Mr. McBride should have contented himself with asking for larger appropriations for railways and public works. Here we have a distinct and clear issue upon which the electors can pronounce. If they believe that the matter of better terms is one between the province and the Dominion, who were the original parties to the existing arrangement, they should vote for the government candidates. If they believe that the rights of the province to the treatment, to which the Dominion government admits it is entitled, must first be assented to by all the premiers of the provinces, they will naturally vote for the opposition candidates, so far as this particular question is con-

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cerned. There can scarcely be any doubt as to how the people of British Columbia ought to vote on such a question. A vote for the opposition candidates is a vote to kill our claim for better terms. There is no escaping this conclusion. If the Liberals win, the claims of the province will be disposed of for all time, or at least until a ministry comes into power at Ottawa that is not under the domination of Quebec, and therefore will not be afraid to do British Columbia justice.

We think these two principal issues have been dispassionately and truthfully stated above. We ask that they may be considered in the same spirit. We court the closest investigation into the position which we have taken, because we are convinced that the more it is investigated the stronger will the claims of the government appear for a renewal of the confidence of the country.

Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them. We do not know just how to catalogue Mr. J. A. Windson, whose remarkable effort we printed yesterday, but quite a number of people have asked where he lives. His address was inadvertently left off his letter. It is "The Maples, Mount Tolmie." We are not advised as to his days at home.

### THE CHINESE BOYCOTT

Word comes from Shanghai that the Chinese boycott on goods from the United States has been renewed with more activity than ever. It is stated that the reason of it is the application by the United States government of the Chinese Exclusion law to the Philippines. At one time the disposition of the people of the United States was to treat the boycott lightly. The papers seem to feel under an obligation to keep up a bumptious spirit in regard to the foreign relations of the country, and to treat the sentiment of a great people like the Chinese with contemptuous indifference. The mass of the people therefore never know what is going on abroad, or if they are told, the telling is coupled with sneers at the Chinese for venturing to have sentiments not in keeping with those of the ruling element in the United States. The best thinkers in the country are not a little anxious as to how this matter is going to end. Our neighbors have managed to estrange the sentiments of the whole Orient. Japan has not forgiven President Roosevelt for the Treaty of Portsmouth. The rest of the world may think that Japan had gone as far as she could, and that her only course left was to make peace, but the Japanese do not think so. They believe they were shorn of more than half the fruits of victory through the intervention of the United States. The Chinese are deeply incensed. They did not very greatly mind being excluded from the United States. That country was a long way off and not very many of the Chinese people knew or cared about what was transpiring there. Moreover the law had been in operation a long time, and any animosity that it caused in the first instance had died out. But the Philippines are near China, and to be told that they may not enter those islands is a blow to the amour propre of the Chinese race that cannot readily be forgiven. China is not strong enough to force open the Philippines; but she can hurt the trade of the United States, and that she seems determined to do.

Dr. Hall's explicit statement as to the negotiations looking to the retirement of one of the Liberal and one of the Labor candidates will be accepted by the public. The original statement of the Colonist is substantially established thereby.

It used to be said that the War of Secession settled forever the grammatical correctness of the phrase: "The United States is;" but apparently California is not yet convinced that it ought not to be: "The United States are."

The Manitoba Free Press sends out as a souvenir of Christmas 1906 a terra cotta reproduction of a calumet, or pipe of peace, with a natty little pamphlet describing that well known article. It is an exceedingly interesting souvenir.

Our evening contemporary charges that we placed in Mr. McInnes' mouth words that he did not use, the reference being to his speech at Rossland when he assailed the Labor Party. We have only to say in reply that the statement as sent by our regular correspondent was afterwards confirmed by a private message.

Why does our evening contemporary persistently misstate the effect of the law regarding timber licenses? If we followed its example, we might single out some member of its staff and charge him with deliberately suppressing the truth. We shall not do that, but we do say that its statements in regard to the effect of the law are grossly misleading, and are probably intentionally so. The Times knows perfectly well that the legislature has reserved to itself expressly by statute, the right to increase both the rental and royalty on all timber licenses granted under the new law.

So the Socialists at Cumberland would not join in singing the National Anthem. If it had not been for the Victoria Times, the Socialists in British Columbia would have possessed so little influence that their vagaries might be treated with indifference. If what they did at Cumberland was anything more than the very usual rush of people to leave a hall at the close of a meeting, that is, if their action was intended as a protest against the singing of God Save the King, it was exceedingly reprehensible.

We challenged the Times to say that in the event of the Liberals coming into power the reversionary right of the province to the Indian Reservation on Kalen and Digby Islands would not be surrendered to the Grand Trunk Pacific for nothing. Stripped on verbiage covering half a column, the answer of our contemporary is that it does not know. Under the circumstances we think we are safe in assuming that it is the intention of the Liberals, if they get the chance to give up that reversion to the company.

The Times must be driven to desperate straits when it stoops to single out an individual on the Colonist staff and charge him with deliberately penning untruths. We had supposed that our contemporary had a little better sense of decency. What the Colonist states as matters of fact, it believes to be matters of fact, and, as was the case in reference to the negotiations with Dr. Hall, they are often shown to be matters of fact, notwithstanding the vociferous denials of the Times. We suggest to our contemporary that if it cannot always be reasonable, it might at least always be courteous. Are we to understand that it wants the campaign to degenerate into a personal squabble? It is doing its best to make it do so.

The Times has unearthed some reasons why Victoria ought not to elect Mr. McBride. One of them is that he opposed fish traps. Mr. McBride had no more to do with granting fish traps than the man in the moon, and if he tried to assist his constituents to secure what they deemed in their interest, we do not see that he is open to censure. The second reason is that he did not do something or other about Laurel Point. As what he did about Laurel Point was perfectly satisfactory to the parties most interested, we see very little force in that. His crowning offence was to ask the city council to give free water to the Parliament Buildings. The council did so, and we do not know that any one has suffered in consequence. This is our contemporary's idea of politics. It does not deny that Mr. McBride had a right to his own views on fish traps. Every one else had; then why not he? It cannot pretend that any one was injured by the Laurel Point transaction; then why talk about it! As for the water rates, we assume the city council must have thought the request reasonable or it would not have assented to it.

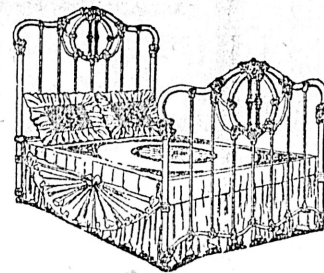
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#### PREMIER MCBRIDE

In the coming general elections the people of British Columbia are not likely to vote for a change of government. On the one hand, their affairs have been administered to the general satisfaction by Premier McBride; on the other, the opposition has neither able leaders nor a distinct policy. Personally, Mr. McBride is the most popular man the province ever had at the head of its government, and his service in office has strengthened rather than weakened the cordiality of the relations between him and his fellow-citizens. "Dick," as he is called by the thousands who claim acquaintance with him, is as much liked now as he was before he succeeded to the dignity of high office. It is not easy for a popular politician both to hold his influence over the hearts of the people and at the same time win golden opinions on all hands by the excellence of his government. Very commonly the magnetic man in opposition proves disappointing in office. It is going way to his natural bent to please everybody he tends to make his administration weak, and if he makes it his rule to do only what he is sure is right, he will estrangle anyone that would adhere to a Minister personally less attractive. In other words, a politician who has attached a great following by his bonhomie may bring about his own defeat by too great compliance in office, or may bring about the same result by becoming strict towards people who loved him because he was easy-going. Mr. McBride has had the good fortune to gain the confidence and respect of the people without forfeiting any of the friendly feelings they bore towards him. There is an understanding between him and them such as seldom exists between a chief of State and his subjects, and which is a general power rests. In no part of Canada have the people more faith or pride in their province. At the present time this provincial feeling is making itself a general enthusiasm for progress. The development of the province's vast mineral resources, the exploitation of its great forest wealth, the utilization of its water-powers, the settlement and cultivation of its rich agricultural and fruit lands, the promoting of its fish industry, the building of new railways, and the expansion of trade with the Orient are some of the great subjects now occupying the minds of the British Columbians. The popular aspirations are perfectly reflected in the present government, whose energies have been directed to the advancement of the province's destiny along all these lines. Capital from Great Britain and the United States is showing a new interest in the unexplored interior of Vancouver Island and in mainland districts, from the Kootenays to Athol. The government goes to the country with a record that should secure it a large majority in the next House.—Mail and Empire.

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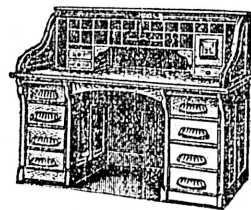
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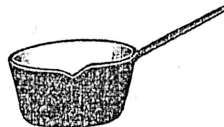
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### Social Dance

A social dance will be held in Semple's hall next Friday evening.

### Subscription Dance

Mrs. Norton's next private subscription dance will be held on Friday, Feb. 8 in the A. O. U. W. hall.

### School Trustees

This evening at the city hall at 8 o'clock, the first meeting of the newly-elected board of school trustees will be held. At this meeting a chairman for the year will be chosen and estimates will be taken up.

### Weekly Rehearsal

The weekly rehearsal of the "Pied Piper" will be held this evening as usual in the city hall at 8 o'clock. All members of the chorus are requested to attend.

### Maccabees Review

The regular review of Victoria hive, No. 1, Ladies of the Maccabees will take place this evening in the A. O. U. W. hall at 8 o'clock. All officers and members are urgently requested to attend.

### La Grippe Epidemic

In nearly all departments of industry in the city one or more of the employees are suffering from la grippe which is now epidemic in quite a number of firms. Nearly one-third of the local police department staff are off duty.

### Anniversary Social

On Friday evening next at 7:30 o'clock Far West lodge, K. of P. will meet to confer the rank of page on three candidates. The 24th anniversary social will commence at 8:30 for which elaborate preparations have been made.

### Laborers' Wages

Ald. Fullerton desires to correct a misapprehension re the debate at the city council on Monday evening re the proposed increase in civic laborers' wages. Those who favored an increased wage from Feb. 1, were Mayor Morley, Ald. Ross, Ald. Fullerton, Ald. Weston and Ald. Hall.

### Tourist Association

The annual general meeting of the Tourist association of Victoria will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the rooms of the association for the purpose of receiving the report of the executive and electing officers for the ensuing year. All subscribers and members are entitled to vote. A full attendance of members is requested.

### Last Rites

The funeral of the late David Coulter took place yesterday afternoon from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Co. at 2 o'clock. Services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Reid at the parlors and grave. There was a large attendance of old pioneers. The following acted as pallbearers: J. G. Mann, A. Fairfull, A. Jack, T. Mitchell.

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**Musical Club**  
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**Prize Jersey Stock**  
 P. W. Reid, late of Paisley, Scotland, having just secured Benmore Ranch, near Heat post office, has just completed the purchase of several head of prize Jersey stock from Quick Bros., which he intends to supplement by other purchases of the best thoroughbred imported stock.

**Social Evening**  
 Tomorrow evening the Fernwood's regular social evening will be held in the room of a whist tournament at the Assembly rooms. It commences at 8:15 sharp. A cordial invitation is extended to all friends of the association to attend this or any of the weekly social evenings which will be held regularly every Thursday evening.

**Militia Order**  
 Major Mulcahy notes the following militia order issued from headquarters, Ottawa, Jan. 1: The honorable the minister of militia and defence has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the following cadet officers, to the undesignated cadet corps: Victoria High school, No. 112, cadet captain, H. Hartman; cadet lieutenants, A. Walter, W. Richardson.

**Navy League Meeting**  
 The meeting arranged for this evening at the city hall by direction of His Worship the Mayor and under the auspices of the Navy League, to receive the Nelson bust, will commence sharp at 8 o'clock, and not 8:15, in consequence of a co-operation with the Musical society, who have consented to postpone their meeting for one hour.

**Musical Society**  
 At the weekly rehearsal at the city hall this evening, a presentation will be made by the Rev. E. W. Mathews of an address and bust of Nelson to the city. His Worship, the mayor, vice president of the Musical society, has requested that the chorus sing "Ye Mariners of England," "Rule Britannia," and the National Anthem. The "Pied Piper" will be rehearsed after the presentation. A full attendance of members is requested.

**Bank of Commerce**  
 Following upon the appointment of Alexander Laird as general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, the following changes have been made in the head office staff of the bank: The title of A. H. Ireland will hereafter be superintendent of branches, instead of chief inspector and superintendent of branches, and he will rank as the next officer to the general manager. The title of E. H. Morris of Vancouver will hereafter be superintendent of Pacific Coast branches. The title of V. C. Brown will hereafter be chief inspector.

**Carpenters' Wages**  
 Complications of a serious nature are threatening between the contractors and the carpenters of this city, consequent upon a request for an increase in wages made by the latter. For some time past the carpenters have been casting envious eyes on their confreres of Vancouver, who are at present receiving five cents an hour more than they are, and at a meeting of the Carpenters' union held on Monday evening the matter was thoroughly discussed. As a result a letter will be forwarded to the secretary of the Builders' Association requesting that the pay of the carpenters be raised to 45 cents an hour, the increase to take effect on Feb. 1. It is moreover, demanded that after April 1, the scale of wages be made similar to that existing in Vancouver, whatever it may happen to be at the time. The Vancouver carpenters are now agitating for another substantial raise.

**Death's Hand**  
 The death of Mrs. William Atkins of Craigflower road, Victoria West, occurred at the family residence yesterday. Deceased contracted a severe cold in conjunction with an attack of la grippe about ten days ago, which developed into pneumonia. Despite the very best of medical aid she gradually sank until death mercifully relieved her of all suffering. A large circle of friends and acquaintances were deeply shocked to hear of her death after such a short illness. To those who knew her best her amiable character, the thorough gentleness of her disposition, the unflinching devotion often as wife and mother, or her faithfulness to friends under all circumstances, and her willing and cheerful assistance to the needy, will be remembered for many years to come. Her untimely demise will leave a gap which will be very hard to fill. The late Mrs. Atkins was 43 years of age and leaves a husband, William Atkins, the well known shipcarpenter; three daughters, Misses Edith, Audrey and Gladys, and two sons, Bert and James Atkins.

**EXTERMINATING THE HERRING**  
 Japanese Seiners Clearing Them Out of Nanaimo Harbor

Nanaimo, Jan. 22.—A serious situation has arisen in connection with the local herring industry. A large number of seiners are operating in these waters, to the detriment of gill net fishermen. Enormous catches have been made, so much so that the gill net fishermen, who are all white men, have been practically crowded out. So excessive has been the fishing that only a small school of herring is today left in the harbor, and the Japs and their seines have almost entire possession of them. For a fish today and are doing some tall knuckling, on justifiable grounds.

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 COLWOOD—Schoolhouse, Saturday, 26th January.  
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Land Registry Act

In the matter of an application for a duplicate certificate of title to Lots D, E and F, of Section 1411, Spring Ridge (Map 125), Victoria City.  
Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication herewith, to issue a duplicate of the certificate of title to the above lands issued to Michael John Hiney on the 2nd day of March, 1885, and numbered 6254A.  
Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 23rd day of January, 1907.  
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## POULTRY SHOW TO OPEN TOMORROW

Plans for Sixth Annual Exhibition Under Auspices of Pet Stock Association

The sixth annual show under the auspices of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be formally opened to the public tomorrow afternoon by His Honor, Lieut. Governor Dunsmuir. The show will be held upstairs of the city market and for the last few days workmen have been busy arranging the exhibits and it was till late in the evening that a halt was called. The number of exhibits that will be on view will be largely in excess of any previous show in this city and the officials had to refuse entries yesterday. In all 1,020 applications for space for chickens and ducks have been received, to say nothing of pigeons and other pet stock. The building in which the exhibition will be held has been very neatly arranged, but with the large number of entries the space is somewhat limited. Besides the chickens and ducks there will be many exhibits of pigeons, turkeys, geese, and rabbits, while canaries and guinea pigs are also represented. In the poultry department there are many classes, and Judge McMunn will have no easy task making his awards.

Among the many classes shown will be Homers, Nuns, Jacobins, Dragons, Owls and Carriers. For competition in the chicken department the special prize awarded by the president is the most sought after and the exhibitors will make a determined effort to land this much coveted prize. The cup goes to the owner of the ten highest scoring female birds, bred and raised by the exhibitor. G. D. Christie presents a prize on similar condition to the presidents for male birds, while for the best breeding coop of Plymouth Rocks, Chalmers & Mitchell have donated a cup, and W. B. Shakespear has presented a cup for the best breeding coop of White Leghorns.

The exhibitor making the largest and best exhibit will earn the prize presented by His Honor Lieut. Governor Dunsmuir.

Judging will commence today. H. H. Collier, of Tacoma, who has been secured to fill this important position, arrived at the city yesterday and will commence his duties early this morning. Mr. Collier is considered one of the most expert fanciers on the Coast and during the past few weeks he has judged at Tacoma, Wenatchee, South Bend, Seattle, Olympia and Ellensburg. Besides this he has supervised the poultry exhibit at the Washington state fair, Puallup and Spokane. Mr. Collier was looking over the exhibits yesterday and when approached by a Colonist reporter said: "You can say for me that the Victoria fair is the largest that has been held on the Pacific coast this year. It is a big surprise to me to see such a large number of entries. I expected to find about four hundred birds but instead of that there are over a thousand. Victorians should be proud of the exhibition that has been put up by their association, both in class and numbers and the show should attract large crowds every day it is open."

"I have been allowed only one day to judge, said Mr. Collier, but when it comes to handling over a thousand birds, I will not be able to do the work in two days. The birds that have already been placed in position include some magnificent specimens and they would compare favorably with any I have judged during my trip."

Both Mr. Collier and Mr. McMunn will commence their duties this morning and every effort will be made to have the work completed at the earliest possible moment.

## THE ORPHANS' HOME

Officers Elected at the Adjourned Annual Meeting Held Yesterday

The adjourned annual meeting of the subscribers to the Protestant Orphans' home was held in the city hall yesterday afternoon at which there was a good attendance. The meeting was called for the purpose of electing a board of management for the ensuing year. President Chas. Hayward occupied the chair. The meeting was opened with prayer, after which the business was proceeded with. Nominations for positions on the board were received from the Presbyterian church, nominating Rev. W. Leeson, Ref. J. H. Lawson, Sr., Bishop Crigge, Ald. Fell, A. C. Flumerfelt, L. Goodacre and Edgar Fawcett. Other nominations were H. D. Helmecken, K. C. A. B. McNeil, Wm. Scowcroft, Lord Bishop of Columbia, A. B. Fraser, Sr., J. H. Lawson, Sr., Bishop Crigge, Ald. Fell, A. C. Flumerfelt, L. Goodacre and Edgar Fawcett.

On a vote being taken the following was the result: E. Crow Baker, 26; Chas. Hayward, 25; D. Spencer, 25; Wm. Scowcroft, 25; Lord Bishop of Columbia, 23; J. H. Lawson, 23; Bishop Crigge, 23; Rev. Leslie Chas. 22; H. D. Helmecken, K. C. A. B. McNeil, 21; A. C. Flumerfelt, 15; Ald. Fell, 15; L. Goodacre, 15; A. B. Fraser, 14; Edgar Fawcett, 14; Rev. H. Carson, 10; Rev. E. LeRoy Dakin, 9; A. B. McNeil, 6.

The first twelve were appointed as the board of management for the ensuing year after which the meeting adjourned.

## NEGLECT KILLED CATTLE

Alberta Rancher Explains the Reason For Heavy Losses

Winnipeg, Jan. 22.—W. C. Brooks, a prominent rancher of Maple Creek, has arrived in this city from Calgary, on his way to Montreal. Speaking of the seriousness of the cattle situation on western ranches, he stated that he had taken considerable pains in ascertaining the causes of the heavy loss, and thought that while extremely severe weather was of course an important factor, in some districts actual carelessness of the ranchers themselves was largely responsible.

"Wherever ranchers have taken reasonable precaution to provide against storms there has been loss of any extent. Some of the more prosperous districts are dotted over with stacks of hay from one end to the other, and in these places plenty of feed is available for cattle. This, however, is not the case at every point.

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and hundreds of others around them in the same condition. We assisted some men in unloading a car of feed, and scattered it along the ground, but many of the cattle were actually so weak from starvation that they took no notice of the feed, and appeared to be in a dazed condition. As a result of thorough enquiries and my own observations, I am prepared to state that many hundreds, and perhaps thousands, of cattle are lying dead on the prairie for a distance of 10 miles on this side of Brooks, and the great cause of the calamity has been the neglect of the owners of the cattle to put up feed. The prairie is covered with deep snow, which is crusted over, thus preventing the cattle from getting at the feed that I am aware of one man who had invested all his savings in a herd of 600 cattle, and is bankrupt as a result of disaster.

In the opinion of Mr. Brooks, all this loss could have been largely averted if owners of cattle had put up hay and had men to feed it to the stock during the cold spell.

## A LARGE TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE

F. Angus Disposes of Big Parcel of Land to Northwest Investor

One of the largest transfers in real estate that has been made for the last few days was completed yesterday, when Forrest Angus disposed of a parcel of land bounded by Fort, Blanchard and Kane streets to a newcomer to the city. The property is ideally situated, and it is understood that the purchaser has decided to erect a substantial building on his new holding.

With this exception very few large transactions were reported. Among the deals of importance that are noted, however, is the transfer of the Mulhead & Mann mill property to J. A. Sawward. The property is situated on Constance street, and adjoining the mill now operated by Mr. Sawward.

## SUGGESTION ENDORSED

Proposal by Colonist That Northwesterners Should Be Entertained

The suggestion of the Colonist yesterday that the visiting Northwesters be taken to the coal mines and to industries adjacent to Victoria, so that they might see what the immediate suburbs of Victoria are like, met with considerable favor by officials of the Tourist association, Board of Trade, and other bodies. Herbert Cuthbert, secretary of the Victoria Tourist and Development Association, said yesterday: "It is the end of the association's year, and many of the visitors have gone home. Other excursions have been arranged for next month from Feb. 1 to 8, and it is expected that another and larger contingent of visitors from Manitoba and the Northwest will be in Victoria about the end of February. Although the matter had not been discussed by the executive, I believe such an arrangement suggested could be made by the association, probably in conjunction with the Board of Trade. So far as the Tourist association is concerned, I have no doubt that if finances permit, such plans will be made."

"Some of the advertising that has been done by the association in the Northwest will probably be discontinued; for there are now many people who will advertise Victoria in Manitoba and the Northwest. Instead, the association will have a separate and distinct exhibit of local fruit and other produce at all the fairs of the Northwest Territories. I expect also to go through that section of the Dominion with a stereopticon lantern, delivering lectures to advertise Victoria. After the business of the association's annual meeting is completed, I will leave for Spokane to attend the convention of Pacific Coast advertising men, where I am to read a paper on 'The Cash Value of Climate and Scenery when Advertised.'"

F. A. Pauline, vice-president of the Board of Trade, spoke also in favor of the suggestion made by the Colonist. While he could not speak for the board, he felt personally that the suggestion was a good one, and one that should be acted upon. He had no doubt that the board would assist in carrying out such action. Other prominent business men spoke in similar terms.

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Master Brown (Baritone and Conductor) will lead the wee sicks, and Mrs. Lewis Hall will play the piano, helpin' the wee sicks in tune and time.

Come in yer best claes, snod and clean, and if ye come late an' out o' win' diana tak' the huff; blame yerse! it's naebody's fault but yer ain if a' the best sates are ta'en up.

Tickets, "two shillins" (50c); concert begins at eight (8) o' the clock sharp, founshin' about ten o'clock, lettin' ye hame in at time for best (elder's) ower. Tickets can be had frae the lads and lassies o' the choir, an' at the apothecary shops an' music shops in the town.

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Smoking Jackets and Dressing Gowns at Half Price  
All Wool Scotch Underwear Regular Price \$1.00..... .65  
Fleece Lined Underwear..... .45

Fine Natural Wool Underwear, Former price \$1.00..... .55  
Lambs Wool Underwear, was \$1.25..... .70  
All Wool, Heather Mixture Socks per pair..... .10  
Heavy Wool Socks..... .15  
Grey Wool Socks ..... .20  
Tan Cashmere Socks..... .20  
Black Cashmere Socks (worth 35c). ..... .20  
95 dozen Regatta and Outing Shirts were \$1.25 & \$1.50.. .85  
Heavy working Shirts, Regular Price \$1.00..... .65  
English Flannel Shirts, \$1.25 and \$1.50 values..... .95  
Outing Shirts worth \$1.25 and \$1.50 now..... .95

Fine Cambric Handkerchiefs..... .05  
Colored Cotton Handkerchiefs..... .05  
All .75 and \$1.00 Ties, now..... .65  
All .50 Neckwear, now..... .35  
All .25 Ties, now..... .10  
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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITY ENGINEER

Great Many Wooden Sidewalks  
Need Repairing—Improvement to Dallas Road

At yesterday evening's meeting of the city council the annual report of the city engineer was presented. It follows:

Gentlemen,—In accordance with instructions, I have the honor to submit my annual report for the year ending December 31st, 1906, containing statistics, reports, etc., from the various officials or my department.

**Blank Sidewalks.**—I take this opportunity of again calling your attention to the fact that a great many of our wooden sidewalks are in a very unsafe condition, and should be replaced, particularly in localities where it is not desirable to construct concrete walks. Upon reference to Statement "A" you will find that 12,467 lineal feet have been laid during the year, this being considerably less than the previous season. It is no doubt the fact that a great number of the main streets have been concreted.

**Surface Water Pipe Drains.**—Upon reference to Statement "C" I regret to find that there have only been 7,553 lineal feet of drain laid during the year, while in 1905 over 10,000 feet of the same class of work was carried out. I would respectfully point out to the incoming council the advisability of doing as much as possible of this class of permanent work. For further information on this subject, I would refer you to the street superintendent's report. I am, however, all of which I would strongly recommend.

**Alcaldin Roadways.**—Upon reference to Statement "D" I am pleased to find that the incoming council will take the stand that all classes of work be made as permanent as possible, except in cases where works are of a temporary nature.

**Sea Wall, Dallas Road.**—I am pleased to state that this work has been completed, with the exception of grading the slopes of the bank, and is now in first class condition during the present season.

**Bridges.**—The Rock Bay pile bridge was repaired under contract at a very reasonable figure, and is now in first class condition. The steel bridge at Point Ellice was painted with an English preparation especially for steel work, and should be in good condition for about ten years. The two small wooden bridges on the Gorge road should receive attention during the present year.

**Concrete Sidewalks.**—Upon reference to Statement "E" I find that 6,088 miles of concrete walks were constructed during the year, ranging in width from 5 to 16 feet. The total cost of which was \$17,632.15. I am pleased to say, as far as can be judged at present, the season's work has been very satisfactory, not the slightest slip or sinking caused usually by expansion. The average cost was somewhat in excess over the previous year owing to the fact that the cost of gravel for the greater part of the year was 50 per cent over the prices of last season. I may say, we have kept detailed accounts of all work pertaining to concrete sidewalks, and that after deducting all extras in the way of filling, retaining walls, surveys, drainage, etc., the average cost of the concrete sidewalk is 14½¢ per square foot. Comparing this with the ordinary thickness of 4 in., would bring the cost to 11½¢ per square foot, which, in my opinion, is very reasonable, considering that the class of work done here is superior, and the thickness of concrete is in excess of the majority of other cities.

**Sewer Extensions.**—After examining into Statement "F" I find that good progress has been made on sewer work. The total number of lines being 20,215 feet, or 3.8 miles, the greater portion of which was very deep excavation and a considerable amount of rock. I submit herewith a plan showing the entire system of city sewers as constructed up to December 31st, 1906, together with an interesting report from the Plumbing and sewerage department.

In conclusion, I take this opportunity of pointing out that the work in my department has very much increased of late, caused principally by the variety and quantity of the work of local improvement and the necessary reports connected therewith. I would, therefore, ask your honorable body to consider the importance of the work to our office, together with another assistant, if possible, as we now find it difficult to keep the records complete and in good standing.

C. H. TOPP,  
City Engineer.

MRS. MARY GREGOVICH

Of Phillipsburg, Montana, Tells How

She Was Cured of Dandruff.

Mrs. Mary Gregovich, of Phillipsburg, Montana, under date of Nov. 26, 1899, writes: "I had typhoid fever this summer, consequently was losing my hair terribly, and my head in places was perfectly bald. Next day I bought a box of EDDY'S MATCHES, and the doctor strongly recommended it to me. After 3 or 4 applications my hair stopped falling out, and is coming in again quite thick. I used to be troubled greatly with dandruff, or what I am now quite sure is EDDY'S MATCHES, and the dandruff went with Herpicide. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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FOR TOURIST ASSOCIATION

Entertainment at Skating Rink and

Concert at Victoria Theatre

Arrangements are being made by the ladies' committee of the Victoria Tourist and Development Association for the social planned for Tuesday next, the 29th instant, at the skating rink at Assembly hall, Fort street, which has been placed at the disposal of the committee, with music, skating, etc., by Mrs. Painter. It is expected that an enjoyable entertainment will be held.

The ladies' committee is also planning for the coming high-class entertainment to be given on February 7 at the Victoria Theatre, in aid of the association. A number of well known local vocalists, musicians and entertainers have agreed to contribute to the programme.

SELL ESQUIMALT PROPERTY

Over Thirty Acres at Constance Cove

Disposed of by Hudson Bay Co.

"Within the past three weeks alone," said James H. Taylor, of the Hudson Bay Company, the Colonist yesterday, "we have sold over thirty acres of the Constance Cove and Viewfield farm Estates, just across the harbor. Altogether our sales have aggregated in the neighborhood of \$21,000, nearly all the land having been purchased by local men."

Mr. Taylor states that it is only within the last few weeks that the demand for this property across the harbor has arisen. The property has been on the market at exactly the same price for years past, but with the exception of an occasional sale there was nothing doing until about a week before the close of the past year. Several acres were purchased by local investors at that time, and since then

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The demand has been continually on the increase.

"The fact that there was land for sale all around the estate, at lower prices than those for which our property was held, explains the fact that there were no sales for such a long time," said Mr. Taylor. "Recently, however, acreage property across the harbor has been rising, and a few weeks ago, the surrounding land reached the same price as that at which our estate was held. Then, of course, the purchasers began to turn to us, and since then they have been coming faster and faster."

The property is divided into blocks of approximately one acre each, and is being purchased in the majority of cases as a speculation. Waterfront properties, of which there are some fine ones on the estate, are much in demand and command a good price.

## THE HERRING FISHERS

Exceedingly Busy in Past Weeks in Nanaimo Harbor

The herring fishers have been exceedingly busy during the past few weeks, and great quantities of fish have been captured, says the Nanaimo Free Press. More fish than ever before in the history of Nanaimo will be caught here this year. While slow at the beginning of the season, the herring of late have been running very lively. Never before have so many fishermen been operating as this year. Ten seines are working and about 18 gill nets, and it is quite safe to say that the average catch for several days has been 200 tons.

Last season the herring catch was 4,249,500 pounds, or about 1,124 1-2 tons in all. This year there is a position to make a good estimate say that the catch will be close upon 6,000 tons. Six thousand tons of herring means twelve million pounds of fish. Unless one is a frequenter of the water front it is impossible to conceive of the immense quantity of fish these figures represent. In fact, old-time fishermen have their doubts whether the waters here will stand for any length of time this excessive fishing. It is advocated in many quarters that the harbor be closed entirely to the seines and only the gill net men allowed to fish there, confining the seines to Departure Bay and the outside waters. When it is considered that it takes from six to nine years approximately for a herring to mature, it will be seen how necessary it is to have wise laws governing the herring fisheries in order to give the gill net fishers every opportunity to build up their industry. Gill net men catch only the larger fish, which are specially prepared for the better classes of trade. Much of the seine fishing this year is being conducted by the Japanese fishermen. Regulations governing this and the limits for the seine net are being asked for by the gill net and other fishermen, and next year will no doubt see radical changes in the Nanaimo regulations.

## THROUGH YELLOW HEAD PASS

Line Part of C. P. R. Programme for Present Year

Montreal, Jan. 22.—Vice-President William Whyte, of the C. P. R., having concluded his conference with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, it is announced that six or seven millions will be spent this year, and that the independent line from Winnipeg to Edmonton, via Saskatoon, will be pushed ahead with all possible speed.

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B. & R. T.	77	77 3/4	76 3/4	76 3/4
C. & G. W.	104 1/2	105 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	143 1/2	144 1/4	143 1/4	143 1/2
C. & O.	52 1/2	52 3/4	51 3/4	51 3/4
C. P. R.	180 1/2	181 1/4	180 1/4	180 1/2
C. T. & T.	9	9	8 1/2	9
do pfd	22	22	21 1/2	22
Erie	39 1/2	40	39 1/4	39 1/2
L. & N.	130 1/2	140	130 1/4	130 1/2
Mex. Cen.	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/4	24 1/2
Mo. Pac.	8 1/2	8 3/4	8 1/4	8 1/2
N. Y. Cen.	120 1/2	120 3/4	120 1/4	120 1/2
N. & W.	88 1/2	88 3/4	88 1/4	88 1/2
O. & W.	45 1/2	45 3/4	45 1/4	45 1/2
Pa. Ry.	135 1/2	135 3/4	135 1/4	135 1/2
Reading	128	129 1/4	127 1/4	128
do 1st pfd	88	88	87 1/2	88
R. & N. E.	28 1/2	28 3/4	28 1/4	28 1/2
do 1st pfd	60 1/2	61	60 1/4	60 1/2
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### The King Edward

E. E. Binkley, Vancouver; L. M. Nuttall, E. W. Higgins, R. H. Bigger, C. A. Baskerville, J. R. Watt, G. Walsh, G. Walker, Dr. A. H. Simpson, Winnipeg; H. E. Polmarin, Concert Co., D. Seattle; G. L. Williams, Vancouver; Jas. M. Levy, Vancouver; S. C. Sluson, Winnipeg; R. Raymond, Vancouver; G. A. Gell and wife, Vancouver; J. M. Ross and wife, Winnipeg; G. S. Pettipiece, Souris.

### St. Francis

Jas. Irvine, Winnipeg; John Irvine, Winnipeg; Miss Mable Irvine, Winnipeg; J. J. Clark, Vancouver; W. A. Simpson, Vancouver; D. Currie, Saskatoon; R. Bailey, Manitou; G. Chambers, Vass River; H. Morris, Winnipeg; Miss Smith, Seattle; R. Raymond, Vancouver; G. A. Gell and wife, Vancouver; J. M. Ross and wife, Winnipeg; G. S. Pettipiece, Souris.

### The Victoria

F. C. Coats and family, Seattle; R. B. Halstead, Cheltenham; J. T. Richardson, Seattle; J. Leloy and family, Seattle; J. J. Beumer, Seattle; C. C. Pagnuelo, Vancouver; Dr. A. H. Simpson, Winnipeg; A. T. Hooper, Duncan; H. McKay, Cheltenham; J. Bennett and wife, Minneapolis; M. Beyham, Winnipeg; W. W. Ray, New Westminster; E. W. Gwiltie, Montreal; W. D. Holt, St. John, N. B.

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## THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., Jan. 22.

### SYNOPSIS

The barometer continues abnormally high over the North Pacific slope, but giving way on the British Columbia coast. Light snow at Atlin is the only precipitation reported today west of the Rockies, and the weather has been generally fair with fog on the straits. It is still very cold on the Yukon and at Atlin, but has become warmer in the middle west provinces, and snow is falling at Winnipeg.

### TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria.....	40	48
Vancouver.....	35	46
New Westminster.....	36	41
Kamloops.....	22	31
Port Simpson.....	34	38
Atlin.....	20	26
Dawson.....	34	44
Calgary.....	1	38
Winnipeg.....	38	42
Portland.....	38	46
San Francisco.....	42	69

### FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Wednesday:  
Victoria and vicinity: Easterly winds, fair at first, with rain tonight or Thursday, and not much change in temperature.  
Lower Mainland: Light winds, fair at first with rain tonight or Thursday, and little change in temperature.

### Lamps Are Ready.

Stoneworkers were at work yesterday drilling holes to allow of the setting of large ornamental iron pillars holding globes for electric lights at the entrances to the grounds of the government buildings.

### Frontage Property Sold

It was reported yesterday that the waterfront property owned by Thos. Jones, the well known boat-builder, had been sold, the consideration being \$22,000. The property in question consists of two lots fronting on James Bay at the rear of the post-office building. Mr. Jones has for many years conducted a boat-building and hiring depot at that point.

Having trouble with the salt? Gets damp and hardens? Then you are not using WINDSOR TABLE SALT. It never cakes.

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## Boot and Shoe Dept.

500 pairs only of Men's and Boys' and Ladies' Laced Boots are placed on special sale. Regular values \$3.50 to \$5.00. Today, per pair.....**\$1.50**

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For there will be placed on sale 20 dozen only Men's White Silk Handkerchiefs with colored borders. Regular value 50c. Today, after 8:30 a.m., each handkerchief.....**25c**

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### St. Andrew's Church

The annual business meeting of the St. Andrew's church will be held this evening in the lecture room at 8 o'clock. Full attendance of members is requested.

### SUPPLY SHIP RETURNS

Washington, Jan. 22.—By wireless telegraph, Admiral Evans reports the arrival of the supply ship "Celtic" at Guantanamo from Kingston.

### ARRIVED FROM KINGSTON

New York, Jan. 22.—The steamer Princess Friedrich arrived from Kingston this afternoon with 112 passenger from that city.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### THE PRICE OF COAL

Sir,—With regard to the increase in the price of coal in Victoria (it would be interesting to know (1) What is the cost at the mine, (2) What is the cost per ton for carriage. We should then be in a position to know what the middleman's profit really was.

A CONSUMER.

Jan. 21, 1907.  
The many friends of Mr. Charles Hanbury, who lately kept the tobacco and cigar store at the Tourist Cafe, will be pleased to learn that he has taken over the "King's Head" saloon on Johnson street just below the old Grand Theatre. He promises that his new establishment will be strictly first class principles and intends keeping nothing but the best of goods. Mr. Hanbury is one of the Royal Engineers, who thought too much of Victoria to leave it and return with his regiment to the Old Land, and purchased his discharge so that he might sojourn in the land of his choice. He invites all his old friends to call on him in his new quarters.

The Proprietor of the London Clothing store, 47 Johnson street, will offer for sale by public auction, his entire stock of clothing and dry goods, consisting of a well-selected stock of clothing in suits, pants, overcoats, underwear, valises, boots and shoes, hats, neckwear, umbrellas, jewelry, etc. The sale will be conducted by Eaton & Co., and will commence on Portland street, at 7:30 p. m. The sale is absolute and without reserve, and the public may expect bargains.

## PERSONALS

G. Lamborough Findlay and Lady Sybil Findlay, of London, England, who recently purchased a large area on one of the Gulf Islands, are registered at the Driad.

Dr. A. Lawson and wife, R. Shabathan and wife, and G. McKay and wife are a party of Northwesterners from Hamilton, who are among the guests at the Driad.

Mr. Jones and family of London, England, are guests at the Hotel Davies.

H. E. Polmatier and the Polmatier sisters, a concert company, five in number, are among the guests at the King Edward.

## ELECTIONS AND REAL ESTATE

In its article referring to the British Columbia elections, which we published on Wednesday, the Financial News of London draws attention among other things to the tremendous advances which have taken place in land values in this province during the period the McBride government has been in office. We should imagine that the hundreds of men here, in New Westminster, in Victoria, and, in fact, all over the coast, who have made money in real estate during the past two or three years, would appreciate the benefit, thus indicated to a country of

stable administration under capable and prudent direction. They have had an earnest of it in their own successes, in the fortunes which they themselves have acquired by the rise in the value of property. We should imagine, too, that the middlemen in this department of business, the brokers, would be keenly alive to the desirability of retaining in power an administration under which their sales have been so much legitimate activity as there has been, under the present government, on this coast. Who among them is there who has not done well, if he has shown even ordinary intelligence and energy? And where do those who have made fortunes, from their sales of realty, or who have become rich through conducting real estate transactions imagine that the money, invested in Vancouver property, has come from? The bulk of it certainly has come from beyond our borders; it has come from the centres of capital, from those centres of capital which are bound to be influenced, just as the Financial News says, the money market in London is always influenced in distributing its capital, that is, by the administrative conditions which exist here, as elsewhere, by the character of the Government and the confidence reposed in the men at the head of the administration.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars have come into this country through this one channel, and that money has come because the outside world recognized that at length we had a stable administration here, an administration under which investment was secure. Now, let us suppose for a moment that the government, on the strength of whose existence, all this capital has been secured, is rejected by the people on the 2nd of next month. What will be the result? Will it not be that every English investor, that every Eastern Canadian investor will, for a time at least, decide to call a halt to his transactions; will refuse to send any more of his money here, at least till he is assured that it will be safe? With the record of Mr. W. B. McInnes before him, is it likely that an English capitalist, or a Canadian capitalist will place his money either in industries in this country or in real estate? When investors realize that British Columbia has placed at the head of her administration a man who, but a few years ago, attempted to excite the miners on Vancouver Island to violence against their employers, who had no words sufficiently strong to denounce capital, who expressly stated that, in his eyes, the possession of wealth was a crime, and that the accumulation of honest industry should be seized and distributed amongst the masses—is it imaginable that, realizing this, they will invest their money in this province? Of course they will not. And surely it must be obvious, then, that such a proceeding on the part of our people as placing power in hands such as these, would be an intimation to the world that we did not desire outside capital for the development of our resources. Whether we intended or not to convey such an impression, this would be the light in which our action would be regarded.

And with this source of financial supply cut off, what would be the result to our real estate owners, to the dealers and to those who have been making comfortable livelihoods, if not making fortunes, out of this branch of business? Would not stagnation, or what would practically be stagnation, ensue? The business of the middleman would cease, and many who held real estate which, at the present moment, would bring exceedingly good prices, and which is unquestionably worth all, and more than the figure, at which it is held, would find that their property was no longer a marketable commodity. We could not, at least for any great length of time, keep up transactions among ourselves and maintain a fictitious price in property. Communities are no more able than individuals are to rise themselves by their boot straps.

This, then, is one of the features which confronts us in this election, and it is one which if we choose to ignore it, we will do so to our own immediate loss and to the injury of the whole province.—Vancouver Province.

## Domestic Science and Moffets Best Flour

Go hand in hand. The first is impossible without the second. "BEST" BREAD FLOUR is milled in British Columbia from specially selected washed hard wheat, and will produce more loaves of light, appetizing bread to the sack than any other flour on the market.

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80 Lots, 1 mile from City Hall; adjoining property all built up; water, sewer, electric lights and sidewalks; level land, finest of soil. Price, only \$250 per lot if half or entire property is taken. Would retail at \$400 per lot. This is less than the price of acreage.

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## A LUCKY CHANCE.

A family living in Essex County found it something of a strain upon their ideas of hospitality to be obliged every day to entertain a tedious woman of 80. The favorite book or the necessary piece of work had to be put aside in order to shout bits of conversation in her ear.

At last the father, in desperation, planned to go into a sudden fit of temper in the presence of the obnoxious caller in the hope of convincing her that they were not pleasant people to visit. Accordingly, one evening, when he returned from business and found the old lady present as usual, he began to talk loudly and in an irritated voice. Then, growing more excited he stamped about the room, knocking furniture right and left, and ended by going out and hanging the door after him.

The old lady knitted away quietly through the confusion, and when the man was gone she turned to the family, and said in a comforting voice: "I reckon it was mighty lucky I was here, or you'd had to take it stay right here with you till he gets over it."

\$12.00 PER WEEK BOARD AND EXPENSES to person of energy and good character. The John C. Winston Co., Ltd., Toronto.

## Births, Marriages, Deaths

### BORN

SYLVESTER—On January 20th inst., the wife of W. J. Sylvester, 110 Cadboro Bay road, of a daughter.

## New Advertisements

(Too Late for Classification)

TO RENT—Two furnished housekeeping rooms, ground floor, central. 57 View street.

WANTED—For three months, by single gentleman, a furnished room, with use of bath, in private family. State location and terms, to P. O. Drawer 677.

WANTED—Youth, sixteen or seventeen, willing to learn meat cutting. Apply 210 Cook street.

HELP WANTED MALE..... J23

WANTED—Plumbers, wages \$5.50 per day. J. H. Warner & Co., Ltd.

WANTED—Young man to do collecting. Some experience in bookkeeping necessary. State age and salary expected, to Box 778 Colonist.

SALESMEN WANTED—Ladies or gentlemen, to handle our premium toilet soaps. Three to six dollars per day can be earned by good salesmen. Write for samples only 6c for outfit. Geo. W. F. M. Gray, 1146 Granville St., Vancouver.

WANTED—An honest, smart boy to carry a morning newspaper route. Must be familiar with the city. Apply at once.